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## 6ABC/WPVI-TV PHILADELPHIA TO STREAM VIRTUAL TOWN HALL ON COMBATING RACIAL INJUSTICE AND DEALING WITH RACIAL TRAUMA

'Race, Rage and Healing: Where Do We Go From Here?' Virtual Town Hall to Stream Sunday, June 7 (12:30 – 1:30 p.m. EDT), at 6abc.com



In the wake of continued national civil unrest due to the George Floyd homicide at the hands of law enforcement, 6abc anchor Sharrie Williams will moderate a town hall, "Race, Rage and Healing: Where Do We Go From Here?," with prominent community leaders from Philadelphia, SUNDAY, JUNE 7 (12:30-1:30 pm EDT), on 6abc. This hour-long conversation will also be streamed live simultaneously on 6abc.com, 6abc news app, and 6abc connected television apps.

Anchor Gray Hall will field questions from the community with topics including actionable next steps for combating racial injustice, pushing for policy changes in law enforcement, addressing the disproportionate impact of COVID-19 on the health and economics in communities of color as well as discussing racial trauma.

Panelists will include (but not be limited to) the following:

- Chad Dion Lassiter executive director, PA Human Relations Commission; and national speaker on race relations and Black Male Violence Prevention
- Dr. Erica Wilkins psychologist and Drexel associate professor researching the residual effects of slavery and sociocultural factors in African Americans in the treatment of post-traumatic stress and grief counseling
  - **Rev. Dr. Alyn E. Waller** pastor of the Enon Tabernacle Baptist Church, the largest African American Church in Pennsylvania.
- Andrea Custis president & CEO of the National Urban League Philadelphia
- **George Burrell** attorney, former politician and local leader in business, civic and political affairs in Philadelphia for 30 years
- Retired Detective Crystal Williams-Coleman Philadelphia Police Department president of the Guardian Civic League social justice organization for African American police officers
- Lauren Footman director of Outreach and Equity for the Coalition to Stop Gun Violence

Viewers can submit questions to 6abc.com and the Action News Facebook Page.

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